(After lunch—2-30 p.m.)

II.—ELECTION OF DEPUTY SPEAKER.

MR. SPEAKER (the Hon. Sri J. Sivashanmugam Pillai) :—" I announced this morning that the election of Deputy Speaker would take place in the afternoon.

" Under sub-rule (4) of rule 14 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I have first to read out to the Assembly the names of the persons who have been duly proposed together with the names of their proposers and seconders. They are—

Member nominated.	*Proposer.*	*Seconder.*
Sri B. Bhakthavatsalu Naidu.	Sri D. Krishnamurthy Gounder.	Sri A. Doraisamy Gounder.
Do.	Sri V. K. Kannan.	Sri M. Subramaniya Nayakar.
Srimathi Thamma Kotamma Reddi.	Sri A. Rami Reddi.	Sri A. Venkatramiah.
Do.	Do.	Do.
Sri K. Varadachari.	Sri K. Adikesavalu Naidu.	Sri B. Krishnamurthi Rao.
Do.	Sri P. Venkataswami Reddi.	Do.
Sri K. R. Viswanathan.	Sri V. Gopala Goundar.	Sri M. Jagannathan.
Do.	Sri K. Vinayagam.	Sri K. R. Sambandam.

Of these Srimathi Thamma Kotamma Reddi and Sri K. Varadachari have since withdrawn their candidature. There are thus only two continuing candidates for election, viz., Sri B. Bhakthavatsalu Naidu and Sri K. R. Viswanathan.

" As, however, there are still two candidates for election, the Assembly will now proceed under sub-rules (4) to (7) of rule 14 of the Madras Assembly Rules to elect a Deputy Speaker by ballot. Four cubicles have been provided to enable hon. Members to record their votes. As in the case of the election of the Speaker, I have directed the Secretary to call the Members according to their order in the alphabetical list, and as each Member approches his seat, he will be handed a ballot paper. After getting his ballot paper, each Member is requested to go into one of the cubicles, record his vote and after doing so deposit his voting paper in one of the ballot boxes provided for the purpose."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, will you please get the statement translated? Translation becomes very necessary because most of the Members here do not know the English language."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I am unable to follow the hon. Member."

RAJA MUTHIAH CHETTIYAR OF CHETTINAD :—" Just as was done this morning, he wants your instructions to be translated into the various regional languages."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have no objection; but the procedure is the same as the one followed in the morning in the case of election of Speaker. It will be mere repetition if we now begin to translate."

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RAJA MUTHIAH CHETTIYAR OF CHETTINAD :—" I agree, Sir, that the procedure followed in the morning will be followed again. But the hon. the Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Nagi Reddi, has a doubt that many hon. Members may not be able to follow the procedure now since there are more names than two proposed for the Deputy Speakership. Also some of the candidates have withdrawn their candidature. We do not know whether the ballot paper contains all the names or only the names of the two contesting candidates."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The ballot paper contains only two names. The other two names have been struck off. I wish to know whether Mr. Nagi Reddi still wants that the instructions should be translated."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" Not necessary, Sir."

MR. SPEAKER :—Some hon. Members are not keeping good health. To facilitate their voting, the ballot papers and the ballot box will be taken to their seats. They need not go to the Secretary.

" I now call upon the Secretary to call out the names of hon. Members."

(Then the Assistant Secretary called out the names, four at a time, and voting went on till about 4 p.m. As two hon. Members, Sri K. Varadachari and Sri M. Kalyanasundaram, were unwell and found it difficult to move from their places, the ballot box was taken to their seats by the Assistant Secretary and these Members recorded their votes and deposited them in it.)

MR. SPEAKER :—" I wish to know whether there are any Members who have not voted so far. The counting is going to commence."

(A few hon. Members later turned up at the Secretary's table and voted.)

MR. SPEAKER :—" I must now inform the House that the Chair has not taken part in the election as the Chair is above parties. Usually, candidates for Deputy Speakership are party candidates and, therefore, I refrain from voting.

" The Secretary is going to count the votes. I appoint Messrs. K. Rajaram Naidu and P. Venkateswarlu as Tellers."

(Votes were then counted by the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary in the presence of the Tellers, Sri K. Rajaram Naidu and Sri P. Venkateswarlu. After counting, the Tellers presented the figures of voting to the Speaker.)

MR. SPEAKER :—" I am now going to announce the result of the election. Sri B. Bhaktavatsalu Naidu has secured 198 votes (applause) and Sri K. R. Viswanathan, 164. One vote has been declared invalid. I declare that Sri B. Bhaktavatsalu Naidu has been duly elected Deputy Speaker of this Assembly. (Applause.) The congratulatory speeches may be made tomorrow.

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" I now wish to remind the House that at 5 p.m. to-day both the Houses of the Legislature will assemble in this Hall to hear His Excellency's Address and the Assembly will meet again at 11 a.m. tomorrow. In consultation with the Hon. the Leader of the House, 11 a.m. on the 8th May has been fixed as the hour for the commencement of the discussion on the Governor's Address, and 3 p.m. tomorrow as the last hour for notice of amendments to any motion which may be notified under rule 5 (1) of the Madras Assembly Rules.

" I now adjourn the House to meet again at 11 a.m. tomorrow."

The House then adjourned till 11 a.m. on Wednesday, the 7th May 1952.

APPENDIX I.

Sri C. Subbarayudu took the prescribed oath before the Temporary Speaker in his Chamber at 10 a.m. to-day.

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